

POETRY.

FORGIVEN.

I used to hate Bill Hazelton, for once he done us wrong.

And when I hate a man, my hate is deep and wide and strong.

We were almost quarrels ago; the one I got from him

It seemed was crippled up somewhere in almost every limb;

He had like sixty, and I vowed some time I'd break his head;

But—well, lat bygones be bygones—his little boy is dead.

I used to love the girl he got. I guess she loved me, too;

But he went tellin' her a lot of things that wasn't true.

I found out, and went forward, when I had ceased to care,

And so I vowed to make him eat the words that he had said; But—well, let bygones be bygones—his little boy is dead.

Lord, how I'd often wished that I could meet him face to face! I know that in a stand-up fight he'd have no chance at all—I'm six feet in my socks, and he's scrawny-like and small. He looked up at me when we met; I

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I've found out what it is to love a child
that is your own—

I've found out what it means to watch
a little face grow pale,
And I know what it means when all
the doctor's efforts fail.
Poor Bill! I'm sorry now because of
certain things I've said;
For, well, let bugs be bugs.

his little boy is dead.
—S. E. Kiser.

A BLIZZARD ANTHEM.

Never stop to wonder if your trouble's
goin' to melt—
Blizzard's just old Thunder with snow.

He'll roar around a while,
An' think he's high in style.
But Spring'll soon be comin', with
a sweet an' rosy smile,
Storm a-howlin' higher—if courage

Keepin' up the fire beats the boldest
blizzard back,
He'll roar around a while,
In blowy, blizzard style,
But Spring'll soon be comin', with a
sweet an' rosy smile.
—Atlanta Constitution

VIEWS AND VARIETIES **Clever Sayings** Knicker—Everything is quiet. Boek- er—Yes, you can hear the Christmas

School Teacher—Do not attempt to deny it! You were playing hooky! Kid—I was not. I was in dead earnest. —Life.

"Do you always do a little more than is expected of you?" "No, my boss always expects a little more than you can do."—*Louisville Courier-Journal.*

words with the teacher." "Indeed!" "Yes, I couldn't spell them."—Lippincott's Magazine.

"Fine weather we've been having." "Yes, but we'll pay for this fine weather later on." "I won't. I'm go-

"Do you like the prize you won at the card club?" "Not at all. It's a homely thing, but I don't care. I can give it to somebody for a Christmas present."—Detroit Free Press.

Bridget—said Mrs. Groccony, "I don't like the looks of that man who called to see you last night." "Well, well," replied Bridget, "ain't it funny, ma'am? He said the same about you." —Catholic Standard and Times.

Mrs. X.—When my husband stays

But all night I refuse to get him any breakfast. Mrs. Y.—When my husband stays out all night he never wants any.—Boston Transcript.

Mrs. Jawback—I'm always ready to listen to reason. Mr. Jawback—Huh! Mrs. Jawback—But I insist on deciding

Irate Coach—Why didn't you tackle that man? Player—You see, when he came along I was standing on my head and the new rule 16, section 23, makes tackling from that position illegal.—

Foreigner—I don't exactly understand your system of government. For example, what are the powers of congress? Native—Well, as a rule, there are two—the speaker of the house and the chairman of the committee on

Seymour—Young Tiger looks like a cautious man. Ashley—He is cautious. He's so cautious that he wouldn't ask the prettiest girl in the world to let him see her home unless he had learned how far away she lived.—Chicago

"Your clerks seem to be in a good humor," remarked the friend of the great merchant. "Yes," replied the great merchant. "My wife has just been in and it flocks them to death to see somebody boss me around."—Phila.

MUCH IN LITTLE

planes in various places in Canada, Japan and Brazil. Its deliveries in 1909 aggregated 278,066 horse power.

In attempting to establish an ostrich farm in Abyssinia the original idea was to acquire live ostriches and breed

On the railroads of the United States there are 100,000 engines, carrying 1,000,000 tons of coal and freight, 2,000,000

000 tons of freight. This practically equals all the tonnage carried by all the railroads and ships of the rest of the world.

Consul General S. S. Knabenschue

music the Chinese masses have ever shown any interest in is the skirling of the bagpipes of the Cameron Highlanders, when they were in garrison there a couple years ago.

Elmwood cemetery, Memphis, were erected in honor of Mattie Stephenson and Emily Surton, who opened their doors to homeless victims of yellow fever in 1872 and nursed them until they both succumbed to the disease.

The Longfellow home in Portland, Me., is a popular place of interest for visitors to the north country. Up to Oct. 1 the register shows that 8,679 entered the house this year, making a grand total since the opening in 1901 of 72,937 paid admissions.—Lewiston

Shark steak is reported to be coming a popular dish in Boston. The meat is like that of swordfish and halibut in texture but is coarser grained and its color is red. A mackerel shark was

put on sale as an experiment by a Cornhill dealer some weeks ago, with the result that shark steak is having a considerable sale at 12 or 12 1-2 cents a pound.